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Applicant : HASHIMOTO, A. et al.

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STORAGE SYSTEM AND COMPUTER DEVICE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.